COURSE DETAIL

SPIRITUALITY, RELIGION, AND SOCIAL CHANGE

Country

Hong Kong

Host Institution

University of Hong Kong

Program(s)

University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology

UCEAP Course Number

20

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

SPIRITUALITY, RELIGION, AND SOCIAL CHANGE

UCEAP Transcript Title

RELIGION&SOC CHANGE

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

This course reflects on spirituality and religion and on their relevance to contemporary social change. The course gives students exposure to, and an opportunity to engage with, the spiritual heritage of humanity. It discusses passages from the scriptures of the world's major religious traditions, and consider modern and contemporary movements which draw on spiritual teachings to orient modern life and effect social change. These include Daoist eco-spirituality; Confucian reforms; Gandhi's non-violent civil rights movement; Engaged Buddhism; Christian Liberation Theology; the Muslim Brotherhood; and the Baha'i International Community. Through these cases, students critically consider the contemporary social implications of religious teachings and spiritual principles when applied to questions of truth and knowledge, power and authority, conflict and cooperation, and sacrifice and service.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

CCHU9014

Host Institution Course Title

SPIRITUALITY, RELIGION, AND SOCIAL CHANGE

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Common Core: Humanities

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